

BRISTOL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING

Held: November 7, 2013, at Town Hall, 10 Court Street, Bristol, Rhode Island

Present: Chairman Oryann Lima, Members Victor Cabral, Thomas Enright, Eric Hertfelder, John Allen, Mary Millard, Derek Dandurand

Also Present: Nancy Letendre, Esq.

Chairman Lima brought the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

The minutes of the October 3, 2013, meeting were approved as presented. (Allen/Hertfelder 7-0).

1. 13-095 399 Hope St., Island Child Care Center-Bristol sign - revision

Child Care Center owner Ann Hackett presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibit B. Ms. Hackett is seeking approval for a change in positioning and change from single sided to a double sided sign. Ms. Hackett was asked if the Rector of St. Michael's Church was in agreement with the change, she stated she will ask for his consent. There was some concern regarding placement blocking easy viewing of the St. Michael's sign. It was suggested that the front post of the new double sided sign be positioned on a line with the St. Michael's sign with the sign perpendicular to the street.

Member Hertfelder drew a sketch of the positioning on Exhibit B which was agreed to by the Commission members.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-095B double sided sign revision with installation as drawn on Exhibit B in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standard #9 (Allen/Cabral 7-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standard: 9

Project Monitor: John Allen

2. 13-120 127 State St., Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School sign

OLMC Building Grounds Chairman Al Vedro presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-H. Application is to erect a sign to help the public locate school.

While they felt the design and size of the sign was acceptable, Members Cabral and Dandurand thought the blue posts were not appropriate for the Historic District streetscape. Mr. Vedro stated

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he had no problem painting the posts white. The remainder of the members felt white posts was a better choice.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-120 for the sign as presented with the exception the posts will be painted white in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standard #9 (Cabral/Hertfelder 9-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standard: 9

Project Monitor: Victor Cabral

3. 13-123 423 Hope St., 423 Hope St. Redevelopment, LLC signs

Property owner Jim Roiter presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-D. Application is for an 8' x 30" x 1.5" sign for the front, east, elevation of the building on the first level and a temporary "for sale" 4' x 5' banner on the south side of the building. Owner was told not to attach the temporary banner to the brick, but to put screws into the mortar as it can be repaired when the sign removed. Owner and Commission Members agreed on Design #1 as shown on Exhibit B for the permanent sign.

Owner to request an extension of approval by letter if the temporary sign will be still be needed after one year.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-123 as presented for a permanent sign Design #1 on Exhibit B and a temporary sign which is to be attached to the side of the building with the screws in mortar only (holes to be repaired when sign removed) in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #9, 10. Request for extension of temporary sign to be submitted in one year. (Enright/Hertfelder 7-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 9, 10

Project Monitor: John Allen

4. 13-128 106 Bradford St., Patricia Doherty new fence

Property owner's daughter Sharon Doherty presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-D. Application is for the addition of a new fence within the property yard to protect the owner's dogs. The fence will be 48" high green aluminum ornamental fence by Jerith. Two gates will also be installed in the new fence sections as shown in Exhibit B.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-128 as presented for the new fence sections with gates as shown in Exhibit B in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #9, 10 (Hertfelder/Allen 7-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 9, 10.

Project Monitor: Victor Cabral

**5. 13-131 39 High St, Lisa Raiola
replace window**

The property owners were not present but as the application was for an in kind replacement window the Commission acted on the application. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-D. Application is to replace a west elevation kitchen window with a Jeld-Wen, natural pine exterior casement window.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 13-131 as presented to replace west elevation kitchen window in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standard #9 (Enright/Hertfelder 7-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standard: 9

Project Monitor: Victor Cabral

**6. 13-134 410 Thames St., Robin Allister
1. replace windows; 2. replace siding; 3. replace trim**

Property owner Robin Allister presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-H. Ms. Allister stated she would like to remove the old cedar shingles and replace with new cedar shingles, Member Allen asked if there were clapboards underneath the shingles. Ms. Allister answered that there were clapboards underneath, but they would have nail holes after removal of the shingles. Mr. Allen stated that clapboards would be preferable to shingles.

Member Cabral asked if the existing clapboards were to be removed also, Ms. Allister answered, "yes." Member Hertfelder agreed with Members Cabral and Allen that clapboards would be more appropriate. He asked if the clapboards could be inspected after removal of shingles. Member Millard agreed with clapboards on the front elevation and suggested shingles on the remaining three sides.

Member Enright differed with majority of Commission stating he felt it was fairly unreasonable to make owner repair clapboards to the entire house, he stated he thought that this house because of its location in a mixed residential commercial neighborhood should be treated differently.

Regarding the windows, Ms. Allister stated the replacements were all vinyl as are the current windows. The windows are currently 1/1 configuration, Member Hertfelder thinks 1/1 would look better than the 6/1 in the submitted exhibit which has an applied grid.

It was decided to schedule a site visit after the contractor removes shingles on the north and south sides of the building. The Commission members will inspect the condition of the clapboards underneath and, if possible, vote on whether they should be repaired or removed.

Chairman Lima stated that the design for the trim around the windows must be very specific if not "in kind" as indicated in the application and a cut sheet of the chosen replacement windows must be submitted.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to continue Application 13-134 to the December 5, 2013, meeting for replacement of the siding, windows and trim. A site visit will be scheduled to judge the condition of the clapboards on the north and south elevations (Enright/Hertfelder 7-0).

Staff Report:

Staff Approvals – October = 9, copy attached

Project Monitor Report(s)

Member Hertfelder reported on the Sitcoske house, 19 Summer St. After the entire interior of the house was removed to the 18th century frame, the owners in a panic wanted to demolish the remaining shell and rebuild a replica.

Member Hertfelder scheduled an onsite meeting with himself, Susan Church, Kevin Jordan and Roberta Randall to discuss alternatives to demolition. Contractor Robert Major had suggested that the frame could be salvaged as he could build in the walls 6" to accommodate the house mechanics. After the meeting, the owners decided not to request approval to demolish the house.

Regarding 631 Hope St. the Davis property, Member Hertfelder approved a rounded design for the balusters on the porch which are not original. The porch deck will be tongue and groove fir and the contractor has the correct configuration for the siding replacements.

Old Business

Vote on Revision – Administrative Review Rules of Procedure

A motion to approve the proposed revisions as presented passed (Allen/Hertfelder 7-0)

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was unanimously passed at 9:00PM

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Date Approved: December 5, 2013

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DATE	APP. NO.	ADDRESS	WORK DESCRIPTION – In Kind
10/1	13-121	106 Bradford	Re-roof widow's walk
10/8	13-122	162 Thames	Replace fence
10/10	13-124	59 High	Replace several clapboards west elevation
10/10	13-125	251, 259, 267 Thames	In kind repairs prior to painting
10/15	13-127	474 Thames	Re-roof
10/22	13-129	122 High	Replace fence deteriorated sections
10/24	13-130	25 High	Re-roof under rear deck, replace rail
10/22	13-133	101 High	Re-roof porch
10/30	13-135	250 Metacom	Cove Cabin replace deteriorated siding <25%